City of London Domestic Abuse & Sexual Violence Forum

Terms of Reference

Introduction

The Domestic Abuse & Sexual Violence Forum is held quarterly and is Chaired by the Assistant Director for People in the Department of Community and Children Services and facilitated by the Domestic Abuse Co-ordinator in the Community Safety Team.

The Forum reports directly to the Safer City Partnership through a quarterly report detailing the work that has taken place over four months with particular attention to strategic developments, updates from subgroups and outcome of engagement work.

This quarterly report will additionally go to the City & Hackney Children's Safeguarding Board, City & Hackney Adult's Safeguarding Board and the City Health & Wellbeing Board for information.

Aims

- To formulate an action plan for activities to support the City of London community, in particular victims of domestic abuse and sexual violence and to raise awareness of related issues
- To establish a core membership from the statutory and community and voluntary sector services to oversee developments in how the City of London respond to domestic abuse and VAWG
- To steer strategic progress in delivering a consistent response to the support
 we offer people experiencing domestic abuse and sexual violence and their
 children as well as programmes to reduce offending by perpetrators

Attendees

Members of the Domestic Abuse & Sexual Violence Forum will be expected to be the strategic lead for their organisation, or a delegated authority, with the responsibility for domestic abuse and VAWG.

Members of the Forum are:

- Victim Support
- Toynbee Hall
- Westminster Drug Project
- St Mungos Broadway
- Solace Women's Aid
- Nia (Iris Project and East London Rape Crisis)
- NHS City & Hackney CCG
- Latin American Women's Right's Service (LAWRS)
- IMECE Women's Centre



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- Iranian & Kurdish Women's Rights Organisation (IKWRO)
- City of London Police (FIB)
- City of London Corporation: Community Safety Team
- City of London Corporation: Children's Social Services
- City of London Corporation: Adult Social Services
- City of London Corporation: Housing
- City Gateway (information sharing)
- Probation Service
- City & Hackney Safeguarding Children Board (CHSCB)
- City & Hackney Safeguarding Adult Board (CHSAB)

Standard Agenda

- Introductions and apologies
- Minutes of the last meeting
- · Incident statistics
- Action plan update
- Domestic Abuse & Sexual Violence Subgroup updates
- Updates from Forum members
- AOB
- Date of next meeting

In addition to standard agenda items there will be areas of business that arise to be discussed by the Forum.

Meeting Dates

Meetings are held quarterly and the dates are circulated at the beginning of the calendar year.

